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Florence Murdock Tuft, 82, died Oct. 7, 1976 in a Salt Lake hospital. Born February 5, 1894 in Heber City, Utah to Alphonzo and Bertha Murdock. She married Lee Murdock Tuft April 1, 1916. He died June 16, 1963. Lived most of her life in Heber City. Moved to Salt Lake City in 1963. Church member LDS. Church for many years in M.L.A. Relief Society and P.T.A. Survivors: Son and Daughters: J. Rex Tuft, Norma Rudd, Mrs. Lynn (Shirley) Shaffer all of Salt Lake City; Dawn M. Tuft, San Juan, Puerto Rico; 9 grandchildren; 2 great grand children; 1 sister, Bertha Clyde; 1 brother, Alphonzo B. (Pomnie) Murdock, both Heber City. Funeral services 1 P.M. Monday at the Heber City 4th Ward 175 West 5th South. Friends may call at Eastman's, Evans and Early 574 E. F rd So. Sunday 7-8 P.M. and at the Ward Monday one hour prior to services. Burial will be in the Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park S.L.C. at 3:00 P.M.

## J. Rex Tuft

J. Rex Tuft 79, passed away July 19, 1980 of his home in Auburn, Washington. He was a long, tall, thin man with a long, white beard and hair. He was born on June 14, 1909 in Monroe, Utah. The son of Herbert E. and Bertha Olsen Tuft. He married Lois Lee Ostlund July 2, 1936. He ranched with his father in Monroe until about 1933 when he went to Moline, Ill. where he worked for John Deere Co. He was a partner in the 18 Ton Mfg. Co. in Moline. He moved to Seattle, Washington in 1940. He worked for Boeing Co. in quality control until his retirement. He purchased a horse ranch in Auburn, Washington, which was his pride and joy. Survivors are: Wife, Lois Lee; son, Bruce, of San Francisco; brothers, Miles, Logans Hills, Calif.; Keith, Renton, Washington; sisters, Leona, Seattle; Diaper, Chicago; Gertrude, Bellingham; Charles, Everett; and John, Meek. Salt Lake City. Corral Schoenborn, Pollock Pines, Calif. Funeral services were at Price-Hilton Mortuary Saturday, July 23, 1980, 10:00 a.m. Mountainview Cemetery, Auburn, Washington. N3 7/31

TUFT, HANS N. (son of Niels Hansen Tuft of Jutland, Denmark). Born September, 1897, Velle, Denmark. Came to Utah Sept. 3, 1893. John F. Sanders company. Married Ann Tompsen 1840, who was born 1820, in Denmark, and there died March 21, 1862. Their children: Christine, d. child; Neils Carl, d. in king's service; Thomas; Ole Nielsen b. Dec. 6, 1849, m. Laura Annie Day 1873; Hans Christian b. June 1, 1851, m. Josephine Wicklund 1872; Jacob A. b. March 4, 1854, m. Mary Ellen Kearnes; Christian b. Oct. 1856, m. Emma Birch 1882; Christiana, d. infant. Family home Gunnison, Utah. Presiding elder at Mayfield, Utah; high priest. Veteran Black Hawk wars. Farmer. Died 1894, Monroe, Utah. 12/18

TUFT, OLE NIELSEN (son of Hans N. Tuft and Ann Tompsen of Denmark). Born Dec. 6, 1849, Jutland, Denmark. Came to Utah with father.

Married Laura Annie Day Jan. 5, 1873, Mt. Pleasant, San Pete Co., Utah (daughter of Abraham Day and Elmira Buckley of Kanesville, Iowa, former pioneer contingent Mormon Battalion). She was born June 6, 1853. Their children: Joseph Alsted b. Nov. 22, 1873, and Annie Elmira b. May 24, 1876, d. children; Laura Estella b. Dec. 7, 1876, m. Hans E. Jensen; Jennette b. June 5, 1878, and Ole William b. March 17, 1880, d. children; Dora Amelia b. Dec. 26, 1881, m. John F. Hansen; Arlington b. Sept. 12, 1883, d. child; Fath b. April 19, 1887, d. infant; Abraham Summers b. April 1, 1889; Hans Albert b. Feb. 9, 1891; Calvin F. b. Feb. 6, 1893; Ivan Ira b. March 7, 1895, and Roy b. Nov. 22, 1896, d. infants. Family home Lawrence, Utah.

Bishop of Lawrence ward April 30, 1912; Sunday school superintendent 1906-10. Member board of directors of Huntington Canal and Reservoir Association; road supervisor several years; school trustee. Farmer and stockman.

TUFT, JACOB A. (son of Hans N. Tuft and Ann Tompsen). Born March 4, 1854, in Denmark. Came to Utah 1863.

Married Mary Ellen Kearnes Dec. 31, 1877, Gunnison, Utah (daughter of Hamilton H. Kearnes and Mary Mendenhall), who was born Sept. 23, 1859, Springfield, and died, Centerville, May 14, 1913. Their children: Anna b. Feb. 13, 1879, and Alster F. b. Jan. 16, 1881, died; Mida b. July 15, 1885; Hannah b. Aug. 31, 1888; John W. b. July 19, 1891; Hyard K. b. June 8, 1894; Clyde H. b. Jan. 31, 1897; Thomas b. Sept. 16, 1901; Mary E. b. April 8, 1902. Families resided (Gunnison and Centerfield, Utah.

Director and president of Gunnison Co-operative Mercantile Institution 4 years. County commissioner San Pete county 1896-98. 12/18

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## J. Reed Tuft

J. Reed Tuft, husband and father, died April 26, 1992.

He was born May 18, 1918, in Heber City, Utah, the son of J.C. and Florence Murdock Tuft. A graduate of Wasatch High School, Reed attended college at BYU, where he graduated in 1940. On Dec. 7, 1943, he was commissioned as an Ensign in the U.S. Navy. He was stationed in St. Albans, Long Island, where he worked in rehabilitation of combatants. He later was transferred to Tuxedo Park.



Reed graduated from the University of Utah Law School in 1946, and was the first graduate in the U.S. under the newly enacted GI Bill. He passed the Utah State Bar in 1947, and began a 43-year law career. Reed served as assistant service officer for the American Legion for the State of Utah. In 1948 he was appointed deputy county attorney for Salt Lake County, a position he held until December of 1952.

Reed was employed many years as a correspondent for the Salt Lake Tribune. He began his career at the age of 13, when he served as the Tribune's Heber/Wasatch County reporter. He phoned in his stories collect to the intermountain editor for 27 cents a line (a sum he felt guilty collecting). He continued work in various other facets of journalism from cityside and sports to front page byline.

In 1952, Reed was the Democratic nominee for district attorney, a position he claimed he lost to "Ike". Reed did much public service commission work, and was instrumental in organizing Barton & Bonanza Trucklines and Valley Bank. He served as legal counsel for Pepsi Cola. After World War II, Reed received an honorary membership in the Japanese-American Credit League for his legal efforts on behalf of Japanese-Americans. He was a former president and intermountain vice president of the 20/30 Club, where he initiated the Safety Salutes Program. Past member of Bonneville Kiwanis Club, and Willowcreek and Cottonwood Country Clubs.

In 1949, Reed married Barbara Larsen who passed away in 1971. In July of 1973, Reed married Patricia Gareau. Reed was an active member of St. Catherine of Sienna and St. Ambrose parishes of the Catholic Church, and a supporter of J.E. Cosgriff Memorial School.

He is survived by: His wife, Patricia; son, Jon Christian Tuft; daughters, Jody Kathryn Tuft and Mrs. David (Tamara) Hardy; grandchildren, Mary Emily, Melissa Jane, Megan Margaret, and Benjamin Tuft Hardy; sisters, Norma Ruud and Shirley Shafer, both Salt Lake City; Dawn Newey, Ogden. Preceded in death by his son, James Scott.

Funeral mass will be celebrated Thursday at 10:30 a.m., at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 1975 So. 2300 East. Vigil service will be Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., at Nell O'Donnell & Sons Mortuary, 372 East 100 South, where friends may call from 6-7:30. Committal, Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

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